

# Welcome to Versailles State Park



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Please join us for any activity. All programs are free and open to the public. All activities will be held at the Nature Center unless otherwise noted. All times for programs are Daylight S.T. Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor programs. Children under the age of 12 should be accompanied by an adult. Please stop by and visit our Nature Center during your stay. Live snakes, turtles, fish, and exhibits highlight the natural resources of our park. Thank you and enjoy your visit!

## Week of August 5-10, 2008

### Monday-Wednesday, August 11-13, 2008

Nature Center Closed.

### Thursday, August 14, 2008

Nature Center Open from 8-4 pm

#### 10 am The Business of Beavers

Watch this short video about the daily life of a beaver and stay for further discussion and see the once live beaver we have on display.



#### 12 pm Turtle Time

Come to the nature center to learn about our turtles and then make you own turtle to keep.

#### 2 pm Wildflower Stroll

Take a hike with the interpretive naturalist to learn more about the parks beautiful wildflowers, their uses and their folklore.



### Friday, July 18, 2008

Nature Center Open from 2-6 pm

#### 3 pm Tree ID 101

Come Learn about the diversity of trees in Versailles State Park and the uses of those trees. Through learning how to identify trees using a key, you will begin to discover the diversity in this lush green forest.



#### 7-9 pm Campground Nature Center

Tonight the nature center will be in the campground. Stop by and meet the naturalist, see live animals, pick up lots of free brochures and goodies for the kids, find out what's going on this weekend and ask the naturalist all your questions. Campground A- First Comfort Station.

### Saturday, July 19, 2008

Nature Center Open from 8-4 pm

#### 10 am Butterfly & Wildflower Stroll

Join the naturalist on a leisurely walk around the nature center grounds to see some of the parks beautiful wildflowers and the butterflies, moths and other bugs that are enjoying them.



### 12 pm Edible Forest

What could you eat, if you had to survive in the woods? Would you be surprised if I told you that this lush green forest could be a salad? Come find out what's good eatin and what's poisonous, so if you're ever lost you'll not be without food.



### 2 pm Nature Scavenger Hunt

Join us in a classic nature scavenger hunt, as teams compete to find the most items in one hour. The winning team will be awarded a prize. Children must be accompanied by an adult and please bring a timepiece.

### 9:30-11 pm Astronomy Night

Come learn about some of the cool things in the night sky and get an up close look at some of them through a telescope. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to the nature center and we will set up in the field between the nature center and the pool. Come relax and stay as long as you like, as we will be learning about planets, constellations and other cool things in astronomy. This event is weather dependent, so please check with the naturalist the day of for updated program info.



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### Sunday Morning Worship Service

We will be having Sunday worship services every week this summer at 8:30 AM at the first comfort station in Campground A, the breezeway area.

### Sunday, July 13, 2008

Nature Center Open from 8-4 pm

### 10 am Gardening is for the Birds

If you like to spend hours watching the birds, but think it can only be done at a park, think again! Anyone can create a garden for the birds in their backyard. Come to this informative program to learn how to start your garden.

### 12 pm Nature Scrapbook

Come make a book with flowers and leaves to use as an identification guide or just to commemorate your time at Versailles.



### 2 pm Going Green!

Want to help the environment or be more green, but aren't sure where to start? Come to the nature center to learn that it's easy being green and it doesn't take much change. Learn what activities you do everyday help the environment or hurt it and how much you should be concerned about them.



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### Nature Scavenger Hunt

Come to the nature center to pick up your clue sheet. See how many items you can find. Then come back to the nature center for a prize.